

MINUTES OF THE ARKANSAS BOARD OF PAROLE MEETING MAY 28, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Leroy Brownlee, Chairman

Abraham Carpenter, Jr., Vice-Chairman

Richard L. Mays, Jr., Secretary/Commissioner

John Felts, Commissioner

Carolyn Robinson, Commissioner

Joseph Peacock., Commissioner

HEARING EXAMINERS:

Carol V. Bohannan, Attorney Ernest Sanders, Jr., Attorney James L. Williams, II, Attorney

ABSENT/EXCUSED WITH VALID REASON(S)

John Belken, Commissioner

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Sharon Lewis, Management Project Analyst

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ray Hobbs, Chief Deputy Director, Arkansas Department of Correction (ADC) Dr. Bill Glover, Assistant Superintendent, Arkansas Correctional School (ACS) Dan Roberts, Deputy Director, Department of Community Correction (DCC) Jeff Tillman, Assistant Director, Department of Community Correction Rhonda Sharp, Public Relations, DCC Shirley Ellingburg, Area Manager, Institutional Release Services, DCC Don Barnes, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General's (AG's) Office Tamara Salaam, Administrative Assistant, ABP Solomon Graves, User Support Analyst, ABP Lois Hansberry, Administrative Assistant, ABP

Called to Order

Brownlee called the meeting to order and declared a quorum at 9:30 a.m.

Approval of May 14, 2009 Minutes

Carpenter moved,

Felts seconded. Motion carried.

Population Reports

The Board reviewed reports from: ADC, DCC and ABP. It was noted that the Board of Correction (BOC) enacted the Emergency Powers Act for over 600 inmates, on Tuesday, 5/26/09 via conference call.

100 beds will be opened at the Ouachita Unit to assist with the jail backup.

Attorney General's Office

Mr. Barnes gave a briefing on the pending lawsuits.

Hearing Examiners' Reports

The Hearing Examiners presented their reports.

The Board thanks Mr. Williams and Mr. Sanders for their assistance in handling emergency hearing cases.

OLD BUSINESS

Training & ABP Updates: Mr. Graves reported on the upcoming events the agency.

On June 5th, DCC will be conducting a mock audit on the accreditation files.

All ABP staff have completed the required training hours for ACA compliance. Time frame for completion of all training hours for everyone is June 09 – September 09.

<u>Reminder:</u> Everyone is to look at training provided by DCC, ADC and outside the agency to obtain the necessary accredited training hours. Everyone is to submit documentation upon completion of their training course.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Graves and Ms. Smith are in the process of completing the agency budget and will be making a presentation on the new pay plan, June 11th.

Dr. Bill Glover and Dr. Dubs Byers of Arkansas Correctional School (ACS) will be making a presentation on recidivism at the Full Board Meeting in June.

FILES FOR DISCUSSION - REVIEW

An overview of the victim input hearings listing was conducted.

RATIFICATION OF VOTES

Mays moved.

Carpenter seconded the motion to ratify the units. Motion carried.

This meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

LEROY BROWNLEE	RICHARD L. MAYS, JR.
CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY

ARKANSAS BOARD OF PAROLE FULL BOARD RATIFICATION VOTES BY UNITS

MAY 2009

<u>UNITS:</u>	RATIFIED (X)
BENTON	×
CAC	×
CUMMINS	×
DIAGNOSTIC	×
EAST	×
MISSISSIPPI CO.	X
NEAC	×
OUACHITA REGIONAL	×
PINE BLUFF	×
RANDALL L. WILLIAMS CORR.	
SEAR	
SWAR	
TRCC	×
VARNER	×
WRIGHTSVILLE	×
OTHER: RESCINDS & TRANSFER SCREENINGS, ACT 290'S SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS, 700'S, RECONSIDERATION, REVOCA PARDONS, ETC.	TION APPEALS, CLEMENCIES,
MOTION BY: RICHARD MAYS, JR. SECONDED BY:	ABRAHAM CARPENTER, JR.
RATIFICATION DATE: MAY 28, 2009	